This petition appears to be the best compromise between the pro-code and no-code camps. The Element 1 requirement for the CW subbands protects the strong tradition of CW in the amateur service. Deleting the Element 1 requirement for the voice subbands protects our bands from other services by giving HF access to more amateur operators. I'm not sure I agree with the idea of new element exams for the other modes though. Giving the exams would be easy; maintaining the database for enforcement would not.

Don Putnick NA6Z ARRL and W5YI Volunteer Examiner (the Element 1 guy)